

Distinguished Professor Emeritus/a Designation
October 2009

The award of Distinguished Professor Emeritus/a is made to individuals under the following conditions:

1. The honorary award shall normally be granted upon or shortly after retirement, regardless of rank, and continue for life. The award shall carry no duties or obligations on the part of the individual or on the part of the University.
2. The faculty member shall have had a distinguished record of service in teaching and research in the University for a period of time, normally 15 years.

Those who are awarded Distinguished Professor Emeritus/a will continue to receive the services and privileges extended to all retired faculty members. Additional privileges are at the discretion of the appropriate Department Chair and Faculty Dean, to be determined on a case-by-case basis.

The recommendation for this honour shall rest with the Department which, through its Chair, will submit to the Dean the proposal that a retired or retiring member of faculty be given the honour. Having approved the recommendation, the Dean shall forward it to the Faculty's Honorary Degree Committee which will, in turn, forward it to the Senate Nominating Committee for Honorary Degrees. If the Senate Committee accepts the recommendation, the Committee shall forward it to the Senate; if Senate approves, it will recommend to the President that the Distinguished Professor Emeritus/a award be granted. The designation of a person as "Distinguished Professor Emeritus/a" will normally be conferred at Convocation.

Awards of Honour in Absentia

Normally, an individual invited to a Convocation ceremony to receive an honorary degree, the distinction "Distinguished Professor Emeritus/a" or the title "Honorary Member of the University" is expected to be present. However, under truly exceptional circumstances where an individual is prevented from attending because of accident or infirmity and where it is not practicable for the award to be made at a subsequent Convocation, the honour may be awarded *in absentia*.

Approved by Senate, March 21, 1994

Delegation of authority to President approved by the Board of Governors, March 18, 1996

Listing of names in University Calendars removed, July 2003

Clarification to nomination timing approved by Senate, October 2009